

THUNDER STORM OF TERRIFIC INTENSITY

Six Persons Instantly Killed and Many More Were Prostrated.

PARKWAY BATHS, CONEY ISLAND

Rain Descended in Torrents and People Took Shelter in Bathhouses—Lightning Was Incessant.

New York, July 30.—During a thunder storm of terrific intensity, which passed over New York this afternoon, five persons were struck by lightning and instantly killed, and nine were seriously injured at the Parkway baths, Coney Island. At the same time one man was killed and three others prostrated at Gravesend beach.

DEAD.
George Denwitt, Brooklyn.
Jacob Frankel, Manhattan.
Robert P. Wachs, Bronx.
Charles Bennerle, Brooklyn.
Henry Ransweller, Brooklyn.

INJURED.
David Wills.
James Dunne.
Tina Christensen.
Harry Krohn.
Clara Thiel.
Miss M. C. Currey.
Isaac Raabe and wife.
Amelia Schen.
William Ransweller.
John Apple.
Daniel McAuley, all of Brooklyn.

The intense heat of the morning attracted a great multitude to the shore resorts, and late in the afternoon when the storm blew up from the westward, five persons were struck by lightning and instantly killed, and nine were seriously injured at the Parkway baths, Coney Island. At the same time one man was killed and three others prostrated at Gravesend beach.

The lightning was incessant and terrific thunder claps shook the bathhouse to the terror of the crowd huddled together beneath it. A few minutes before 5 o'clock a bolt struck the flagstaff and grounded in the very thickest of the crowd.

Nearly 50 persons were prostrated, and the crowd rushed out into the storm. Those who had remained in the water were also panic-stricken and ran in all directions, not daring to enter the bathhouse, which appeared to be on fire.

Amidst the confusion, a small fire in the bathhouse was quickly extinguished by the rain. About the same time Henry Ransweller was struck and killed while sheltering under a tree at Gravesend beach, and his son William, with John Apple and Daniel McAuley, was rendered unconscious.

Lightning struck at various points in the city. A store in Flushing avenue, Brooklyn, was burned and a car in Sixth avenue, Manhattan, was set on fire, but the occupants escaped unhurt. The electric light at the telephone wires in Bellevue hospital were struck several times, extinguishing all the lights and causing much alarm among the patients.

BARON KOMURA
Goes to Peekskill to Visit Old Harvard Friends.
New York, July 30.—Baron Komura, the Japanese peace plenipotentiary and Baron Kaneko, the Japanese financial agent, both of whom are Harvard graduates, went to Peekskill today, where they visited some friends of their college days.

Work at the headquarters of the peace commission was not entirely suspended, however, and several of the secretaries continued their labors with the dispatches and mail. Some of the suite spent the day at the various resorts near the city, while others visited friends.

Dispatches announcing that Korea, like China, would protest against a treaty of peace in which she was not consulted, were called to the attention of Almar Gato, of the commission and all he would say was that the time for these protests had been made was after the negotiations had been concluded.

"No one," said he, "has any business before the commissioners but themselves."

A number of Japanese newspaper correspondents are in the city. Several came with Baron Komura's party. Among those in the city today it is the decided opinion that when peace is declared Japan, having become a world power, will elevate her ministers in the capitals of the powers to embassies. All agreed that it was the understanding in Japan that if peace is declared at the coming negotiations Baron Komura would become a count, which carries with it in Japan a gift of a large sum of money to the Minister Takahira who will be elevated to the rank of an ambassador.

RUSSIAN ELECTORAL SYSTEM.
Class Representation Eliminated As Far as Possible.
St. Petersburg, July 30.—The following are the principal points of an electoral system approved by the council of ministers for the proposed national assembly. The aim has been to elaborate a scheme eliminating as far as possible class representation. The only classes excluded from the franchise are soldiers, persons under the age of 25 years, foreigners, women, governors and police authorities, nomads and persons deprived of civil rights.

For St. Petersburg, Moscow and 13 of the larger towns there will be a system of electoral colleges numbering 140 members; for St. Petersburg, Moscow and 30 other towns these members will be elected by electors of the first degree, comprising owners of land and value, the electors in the case of St. Petersburg, Moscow and 1,500 other towns to include also the holders of in-

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Industrial patents and paying specified taxes, with no distinction as to religion. For the purpose of a similar system of colleges will be elected by voters of three categories, namely, land owners, electors of other towns than the before-mentioned large towns and cantonal representatives of peasants. Here, also, property qualification is required of \$750 and similar tax qualifications. The elections will be by a secret ballot and an absolute majority is required.

GEN. G. M. RANDALL
Fakes Charge of Northern Division of United States Army.

St. Louis, July 30.—Maj.-Gen. George M. Randall arrived from San Francisco today to take charge of the northern division of the United States Army, with headquarters in St. Louis. He succeeds Brig.-Gen. Theodore J. Wint, who has been temporarily commanding the division since Maj.-Gen. John C. Bates left for Washington, D. C., on June 16. Gen. Randall, for the past two years, has been in command of the department of Luxon. He will re-appear on Oct. 3 next because of the age limit.

YOUNG WOMAN ABDUCTED.
Four Masked Men Carried Her Away in a Motor Car.

Budapest, July 30.—A sensational abduction took place last night just outside one of the principal theaters here. The performance had just concluded when four masked men pushed their way through the crowd and, seizing a young woman who was waiting for her friends, bore her to a motor-car which has drawn up in front of the building. Then the motor car was whirled away.

When the young woman's friends had recovered from their stupefaction, caused by the audacity of the deed, they informed the local police that she was Miss Ida Czernovitch, the daughter of a wealthy landowner in the neighborhood of Agram. Her family having been at feud with another branch of the house for many years, it is supposed that the motive of this up-to-date motor car abduction is one of revenge upon the father, who was a successful litigant in a recent will suit against the other side of the family, the money in dispute amounting to \$225,000.

Secy. Taft at Kobe.
Kobe, July 30.—Secy. Taft and his party arrived here at 6 o'clock this afternoon from Kyoto. They were the recipients of an enthusiastic welcome from the governor and the mayor and city officials and assembled thousands. Amid a display of fireworks the party proceeded to the water front, where a short reception was held. Secy. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt were given a number of presents.

The steamer Manchuria will sail at 10 o'clock tonight for Nagasaki. Capt. Robert H. Noble, third United States infantry, military, is to Gen. Wright of the Philippines, officially met the secretary of war and his party here.

Suffering from Starvation.

Fall River, Mass., July 30.—Martha Webb, the young woman who was removed from a street car in New York City yesterday in a fainting condition, and who at the New York hospital was found to be suffering from starvation and exhaustion, formerly resided with her sister, Mrs. John Kelley, in this city.

She left Fall River a few weeks ago to live with another sister at Providence, and was reported last Sunday as being seriously ill at the latter city, and her relatives here went to visit her.

They are unable to account for her presence in New York, and suggest that she might have wandered away while temporarily deranged by illness.

Judge Stuart Dies Suddenly.
Portland, Or., July 30.—Ex-Judge Del Stuart, a prominent attorney of Portland, member of the Masons, Knights of Pythias and other orders, ex-district judge of Iowa and ex-mayor of Oacodan, Ind., died today at St. Vincent's hospital as the result of an operation. The death of Judge Stuart was sudden and unexpected. He was operated upon 11 days ago and seemed on the road to recovery. Judge Stuart was born in Zanesville, O., in 1843.

Japanese Chase Russians.
Tokio, July 30, noon.—The following report has been received from the headquarters of the imperial army: "Our force on the island of Sakhalin advanced on the 27th and hotly chased the enemy from early in the morning. Our vanguard occupied Delbenskoie the same afternoon. While our cavalry entered Rykoff, another detachment was sent against the enemy at Nomih and Iovskoe, while still another dislodged the enemy force holding Vysernikovsk and vicinity and immediately commenced pursuit. "The enemy holding the latter place consisted of infantry, with several guns. The temperature is 93 degrees Fahrenheit."

MINISTER PLOTTED TO MURDER FAMILY

Rev. J. G. Rawlins Found Guilty Of Being an Accessory to Murder of a Boy and Girl.

ANOTHER MINISTER'S CHILDREN

Little Ones Were Killed as They Ran Out of the House—Whole Thing Was Diabolical.

Valdosta, Ga., July 30.—Rev. J. G. Rawlins early today was found guilty of accessory to the murder of two children of the Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Carter, and unless a higher court intervenes Rawlins and his sons, Milton and Jesse, and Alf Moore, a negro, will have to hang. The Rawlins sons and Moore were found guilty of the murder some time ago.

Both Rawlins and Carter were for many years ministers in the Methodist church. A feud was started and Rawlins plotted to wipe out the Carter family. It was arranged that Moore and Milton, Jesse and Leonard Rawlins were to go to the Carter home and kill the parents while they sat at the supper table. When the children ran out they were shot down.

The assassins, however, arrived after the evening meal, and could not shoot through the windows at the victims. Some noise caused Willie and Fannie Bell Carter to run into the house. Instantly the guns of the murderers spoke and the girl fell dead. The boy, shot through the body, dragged himself into the house and told what had done the deed.

All night long Mr. and Mrs. Carter crouched in their home. Through crevices in the log house the Carters could see the assassins creeping about the yard, but whether their daughter was dead or not they could not learn. Finally Mr. Carter reached his rifle and fired through a crack in the door. The shot caused the murderers to flee. Moore confessed the plot.

YELLOW FEVER ON ISTHMUS.
Minister John Barrett Declares It Will Be Driven Out.

Chicago, July 31.—John Barrett, minister to Panama until a month ago and now minister to Columbia, declared last night that the yellow fever will be driven out of the isthmus. He has arrived here en route to the Portland fair. From there he goes to his new post in Colombia.

"The fight against yellow fever is like a great battle," he said. "Every effort is made to stamp out the disease. The people of the United States must not be impatient if the progress of the canal is slow. They must remember that the scene of operation is 2,000 miles away from the base of supplies."

EDWARD LYMAN SHORT DEAD.
Was General Solicitor of the Mutual Life Insurance Co.

New York, July 31.—Edward Lyman Short, general solicitor of the Mutual Life insurance company since 1895, died yesterday at his home in this city from heart failure. He had been ill since last May. Mr. Short was widely known in the legal world as a specialist in railway litigation, insurance law, taxation and corporation law, and was the author of numerous pamphlets on these subjects.

EXCURSIONISTS' ESCAPE.
Barges Carrying Them Came Near Being Thrown on Rocks.

New York, July 31.—Two barges carrying an excursion party numbering about 2,000 toward the tug came perilously near being dashed on the rocks at North Yonkers last night at the height of a severe rain and wind storm. A Yonkers tugboat which hurried to the rescue, alone prevented a disaster.

The excursion party hailed from Hoboken, N. J. After a day at River-view Grove opposite Yonkers, the crowd boarded the barges for the return down the Hudson. A severe storm raged at the time and only a short distance from the grove the engine on the tug stopped suddenly. Every effort to start it was futile.

Meanwhile the two barges and the tug drifted northeast toward the Yonkers shore, where it was seen that the tug had lost control. Perfect calm reigned. Reference given. Address P. O. Box 581.

A launch was quickly dispatched to Yonkers and summoned another tug. When the latter reached the excursion party women and children were badly frightened but owing to the efforts of the crews of the barges and the constant playing of the band, order was preserved.

The tug made fast to the barges and pulled them out into the river when they were within 100 yards of the rocks.

PEACE PLANS WRECKED.
Chicago Coal Drivers, 350 Strong, Vote to Continue Strike.

Chicago, July 31.—With the capitulation of the striking teamsters nearly complete, and the release of Chicago from the oppression of the long labor war practically assured for today, a handful of coal teamsters have wrecked the well developed peace plans.

The coal drivers, 350 strong, voted unanimously to continue the strike. As a result the entire peace association, it is said, may close the doors to thousands of their former employees who were to have been re-engaged today. The strike area, with its police garrisoned wagons, also will continue indefinitely.

All manner of protests from other teamsters' locals have failed to check the coal drivers in their determination.

The Wyoming at San Francisco.
San Francisco, July 31.—The United States monitor Wyoming arrived here on her way to Mare Island in tow of the government tug Undulla. The Wyoming started up from Panama over a month ago. Off Port Harford she lost a propeller blade and had to put into that port, where she was repaired. The Bennington at San Diego was about to proceed to her aid when the unfortunate accident took place, and the Undulla was dispatched in her place.

Gen. Stoessel Is Relieved.
St. Petersburg, July 30.—Gen. Stoessel has been relieved of command of the Third Siberian army corps.

Street Car Strikes Automobile.
Camden, N. J., July 31.—An automobile in which John R. Valentine, a well-known society man of Philadelphia, his wife and two friends were riding, was struck by a trolley car here early this morning. Mr. Valentine sustained a

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fracture of the collar-bone and Mr. Valentine was cut and bruised about the head and face. They were taken to the Cooper hospital. The other occupants of the automobile were not injured.

Scientists Off for Labrador.
St. John's N. F., July 30.—Gov. McGregor and a party of English colonial scientists started today for a six weeks' cruise along the Labrador coast. It is expected that important results will accrue from this expedition affecting the industrial future of Labrador.

Idaho Editors Coming to Utah.
Los Angeles, Cal., July 30.—A party of 25 Idaho editors and their wives arrived here this morning and are guests of the chamber of commerce. Tomorrow evening they will depart for Salt Lake and thence to the state capital, where they will remain for a month's stay of the Idaho State editorial association.

Root Goes to Labrador.
Utica, N. Y., Secy. of State Root and Col. Sanger, formerly assistant secretary of war, accompanied by Mr. Root's sons, Elbur Jr. and Edward, today left Utica for Montreal. From there they go to St. John's and from there will sail for Labrador. They expect to be absent a month.

Italian Govt. Railway Bill.
New York, July 31.—After a four days' special session for the discussion of the government railway bill providing the funds for taking over the railways at a valuation with compensation for expropriation, the ministry of Signor Fortis received a vote of confidence Sunday in the chamber of deputies by a majority of 132, cables the Herald's Rome correspondent. The chamber was prorogued until November, when the bill will be again taken up.

King Victor Emmanuel came to Rome to open the special session. The debate was very animated, the Socialists and Republicans deputies attacking the government proposals with great violence and threatening prolonged obstruction on each clause of the railway bill.

The estimates provided for a payment to the railway companies of \$15,000,000 to settle the difference between the expropriation and the three great companies.

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